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Petersburg, February 17.

BY a Courier from Olonicz we have an Account of the Czar's Arrival at that Place, where he had begun to uſe the Medicinal Waters with Succeſs. M. Oſterman his Czariſh Majeſty's ſecond Plenipotentiary for the Treaty of Aland continues here, expecting new Inſtructions; the general Diſpoſition which the Court of Sweden appears to be in at preſent to live in Peace with all its Neighbours, giving Reaſon to believe that the Congreſs at Aland will ſoon be renewed. M. Stambke, Secretary to Baron Goertz, who made his Eſcape from thence upon the News of his Maſter's being ſeized, arrived here lately. It is ſaid the Czar intends ſhortly to direct the making of a Canal from the River Wolga, by means of which a Communication will be opened between theſe Parts and the Caſpian Sea, and that a Number of his Troops will be employed in that Work.

Reggio, Feb. 9. On the 7th Inſtant two Britiſh Men of War that were left here, took off of Taormina in Sicily, the Spaniſh Frigate named *La Perna Spagnola*, and brought her in here Yeſterday. She is well built and a good Sailer; ſhe came with Admiral Cammock on board her, who, as it is ſaid, deſigned to go to Barcelona, and from thence to Madrid; he had the Luck to eſcape in his Sloop; about 150 Men were taken Priſoners. Thoſe two Men of War have alſo taken an empty Pink, without a Boat or any Body on board her, and two Tartans likewiſe empty. The Pink they brought in hither, but kept the Tartans for their own Uſe. They have ſince been joined by two other Britiſh Men of War who had been cruizing on the Coaſt of Sicily about Palermo, and they are at preſent gone to cruize together to the South of that Iſland.

Venice, Feb. 25. The Carnival being ended, moſt of the Strangers who came to partake of thoſe Diverſions are returning home. The Duke of Guaſtalla left this Place the 22d in order to return home, and intends to perform his Journey by Water up the River Po. The two Princes of Saxe-Gotha embarked the ſame Day for Ponte del Lago Scuro, from whence they will proceed to Rome. Another Prince of Saxony who ſtayed here during the Carnival, is alſo ſhortly to go from hence to Melazzo. On the 19th Sig. Peſaro came out of the Old Lazeretto with all his Retinue, as did likewiſe divers Officers and other Paſſengers, having performed their Quarantain. The ſame Day two Merchant-ſhips arrived from the Gulph of Lepanto, but laſt from Iſtria, where they have performed their Quarantain. The Maſters report among other Things, that one of our Merchant-men coming from Smyrna richly laden, foundered in the Harbour of Meleda in Dalmatia, near Raguza, and that the greateſt part of her Cargo was loſt, which conſiſted in Allum, but that the Crew with the lighter Goods ſhe had on board were ſaved. This Misfortune was occaſioned by the Ship's being very old and decayed. On the 22d, two Hours after Sun-ſet, an extraordinary Meteor appeared over this City like a large Fire-Ball ariſing out of the Eaſt, which caſt a bright Light almoſt like that of the Sun, and ſome time after turning Weſtward, divided itſelf into ſeveral Branches like ſo many Comets, which vaniſhed at laſt, and as ſome People fancy, left a ſulphureous Smell in the Air. They write from Breſcia, that the Palace of the Marquis Martinengo is fitting up for the Reception of Count Colloredo, who is expected there in his Way to Milan, to take Poſſeſſion of the Government of that Dutchy.

Genoa, Feb. 28. Yeſterday arrived here a Ship that came in 11 Days from Cadiz, the Maſter of which ſays, that three Spaniſh Men of War lay in that Port with 15 Tranſport Ships and ſome Troops ready to embark, but upon what Deſign was yet unknown. Various Reports are ſpread in theſe Parts concerning the Pretender; it is certain that ſome Perſons of Diſtinction have been ſeized at Voghera, and carried Priſoners into the Caſtle of Milan, but their Names are kept ſecret.

Paris, March 11. Since the News of the Pretender's being ſeized at Voghera on the 17th paſt, and carried to the Caſtle of Milan, with the late Lords Mar and Perth, we have not received any Account of his being arrived in any other Place, which very much enclines People to give Credit to that Report; and the rather becauſe Letters from Milan ſay, two of the Perſons then ſeized and confined in the Caſtle of Milan, had ſuch Regard paid to them as ſhewed them to be Men of Diſtinction, but their Names were indu-